

THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

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BLOOMFIELD, N. J., SATURDAY, MAY 12, 1894.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

THE NEW COMMITTEE.

ORGANIZED ON MONDAY AND NOW READY FOR BUSINESS.

Standing Committees, Appointees, and Salaries—Petitions for Gas, Water, and Macadam—The Orange Water Company Meets the Newark Cut in Sprinkling Rates.

The Township Committee for 1894-95 organized on Monday afternoon. Committee-at-Large, William Ford Upson was elected Chairman, and Benjamin H. Haskell Vice-Chairman.

The following standing committees were appointed: Roads and Gutters, Fisher and Lawrence; Sidewalks and Crosswalks, Lawrence and Fisher; Water, Haskell and Gilbert; Street Lighting, Powers and Fisher; Sewers, Gilbert and Haskell; Police, Powers and Haskell; Poor, Foster and Powers; Public Grounds, Lawrence and Gilbert; Fire, Gilbert and Foster; Legal and Franchisees, Haskell and Powers; Maps and Surveys, Foster and Haskell; Auditing, Fisher and Foster; Montgomery Street Bridge, Gilbert and Foster; Finance and Arrears of Taxes, Upson and Lawrence.

The following offices were filled by appointment: Township Treasurer, John A. Lawrence; Township Counsel, William S. Dodd; Township Physician, Dr. E. M. Ward; Superintendent of Public Works, William U. Oakes; Superintendent of Fire Alarm System, E. F. Perry; Chief Engineer of Fire Department, William U. Oakes; Township Engineer, A. H. Olmstead; Police Justice, William R. Hall; Janitor of City Hall, Thomas Hayes.

An ordinance was introduced fixing salaries of township officials as follows: Treasurer, \$150; Overseer of Poor, \$400; Township Clerk, \$700; Assessors, \$400 each; Collector, \$1,500; Superintendent of Fire Alarm, \$200; Town Physician, \$250; Township Counsel, \$500; Superintendent of Public Works, \$600; Janitor, \$100; Policemen, \$60 per month.

The appointment of a saloon-license inspector was a subject of discussion, and it was decided to have the police take on the licenses.

Mr. Powers said that the police would bear of any new saloons started in town, and Mr. Gilbert said there was no doubt what they would.

The pound-masters of last year were all re-appointed.

The Town Clerk was directed to issue the call for the sidewalk district grading appropriation meetings and at the suggestion of Mr. Gilbert the present condition of the fund in each district will be set forth on the call in order to avoid an excess of appropriation, such as occurred in the district east of the canal last year.

The Police Committee offered the following recommendations for appointment on the police force: L. M. Collins, James Foster, Thomas McKeon, James S. Avery, and J. R. Baylis for regular duty, and Lawrence Shorter, John Weden, and Charles Hammell chancemen; they were all approved.

The bonds and oaths of the several township officers and constables were submitted and referred to the Legal Committee for examination.

The Sewer Committee was empowered to retain Engineer L. B. Cady to complete the work on the Mountain outlet sewer.

The Committee decided to meet on Monday afternoons at 3:45 o'clock. The "No Smoking" rule enforced last year was again adopted.

Albert Taylor of Franklin Street made application for the position of sewer inspector.

Residents of Winsor Place petitioned for the macadamizing of that street.

Excisor Hose Company sent a letter to the Committee recommending the appointment of William U. Oakes as Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Residents of Vine and Hickory Streets petitioned for gas and water on those streets.

W. A. Freeman, Jr.'s, application for permission to place a platform scales near the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western freight depot on property that is claimed by the township as a street, known as Mechanic Street, led to a lively discussion. Mr. Powers favored granting the application, on the ground that Mr. Freeman was willing to enter into an agreement to remove the scales when ordered to do so by the Town Committee.

Mr. Gilbert insisted that it was a matter that should properly be passed upon by the Township Council, in order that no infringement of the township's rights on the street might be involved.

Mr. Gilbert's amendment was carried.

Ex-Township Treasurer G. Lee Stout stated to the Committee that his accounts were all made up and he had placed a check in the bank at the disposal of his successor in the office of Treasurer.

A petition for a water main on Summit Street was received.

Residents on Hamilton Road petitioned for gas and water.

Baldwin and Bassinger street real-

dents petitioned for gas lamps.

Residents of Glen Ridge Avenue asked that the south end of that street be macadamized and gutters and crosswalks put down.

The Consolidated Pin Company asked for improvements on Ward, Farrand, and Clark Streets.

R. K. Schuyler petitioned for a crosswalk on Belleville Avenue opposite the New York and Greenwood Lake Railroad depot.

The Committee was asked to change the name of Bassinger Street and call it Chestnut Street.

Mr. Gilbert suggested that it be called North State Street. The matter was referred to the Maps and Surveys Committee.

Samuel G. Hayter, on behalf of William S. Pierson Post, G. A. R., asked for an appropriation of \$100 for Memorial Day celebration. It was voted.

A petition was received for a double crosswalk across Broad Street opposite Hopper's market.

The Road and Sidewalk Committee were directed to advertise for bids for road and sidewalk work.

The Committee decided that all matters involving expenditure of money are to be submitted to the whole Committee before action is taken.

"Cheese is a Crop."

Hereafter a policeman will patrol Watseking on Saturday nights. Some of the youths there are getting too "gay" and want to wrestle and box on the public highway. When the boys get warmed up to their work they swear considerably, much to the annoyance of passers-by. It is rumored that some of the boys get drunk too, but that is hardly possible. The policeman who will make his appearance there Saturday night is expected to put a stop to violent athletic exercises on the street and also to check boisterousness.

The orgies on last Saturday night were the subject of severe denunciation from the pulpit of the Methodist Church last Sunday evening. The good people in the church are determined to take vigorous action in the interest of law and order. It is a deplorable fact that boys cannot carry on athletic exercises without getting very much excited.

Some of the athletes who were tumbling in the street were frenzied with a desire to kill one another. Killing is of course unlawful, and the policemen who finds any youth thirsting for gore will make haste to get that young man in the cooler.

Watseking Sandows who wish to distinguish themselves either in the prancing or wrestling-pit should read a course in athletic education in order to convince themselves that whiskey and physical culture do not go well together.

Of course no one in Watseking (not even members of the Methodist Church) is opposed to athletic exercises, but there is a limit, and a decent respect for public opinion requires that due regard should be paid to the limit.

Violent tumbling about in a dirty road, accompanied by a cyclone of profanity, is enough to disgust any respectable sport let alone church members and others.

The preachers in the Methodist Church did exactly right when he denounced from the pulpit Saturday night's occurrence. The affair was decidedly wicked and the preacher did his duty in rebuking it. All good citizens should unite with the preacher and the policeman in suppressing violent exercises on the public highway.

A Notable Quilt.

An absorbing topic of conversation in Brookdale during the past two weeks has been a remarkable patchwork quilt being made by the ladies of the Brookdale Baptist Church. This quilt has received a bonus and will net over sixty dollars to the church. Any person contributing ten cents can have his or her name worked in the quilt, and it now contains over four hundred names.

A sociable will be held in the church on the evening of the 18th, when the completed quilt will be placed on exhibition.

The Madrigal Concert.

The Madrigal Society's closing concert for the season will be given in the First Presbyterian Church next Wednesday evening.

The Madrigal concert is always delightful affairs and highly appreciated.

It is said that the approaching concert will exceed all previous efforts of the society.

The soloists engaged for the evening are Madame Zippora Monteith and Mr. Sauvage, both of whom rank very high in musical circles. Miss Van Den Hende, a cello soloist, has also been engaged for this concert. The array of assistant talent has probably not been excelled at any previous concert.

The associate membership of the Madrigal Society has increased lately and the number of tickets allotted to members will have to be reduced from six to five.

Lively Knights.

The progressive eucharistic party given by the members of Eureka Lodge, Knights of Pythias on Tuesday night was a jolly affair.

There was a very large turn out of members of Eureka Lodge, and Apex Lodge of Roselle was also largely represented. Seven tables were occupied by the eucharistic players. Charles Harrington of Eureka and a member of Apex Lodge won first prizes. Samuel Andrew of Eureka won the booty prize.

A smoker and stag dance followed the eucharistic playing. The evening was also enlivened with vocal music and speeches.

Refreshments were served.

Case of Lockjaw.

Henry Taylor, for many years a well-known resident of Watseking, is suffering from lockjaw.

Mr. Taylor was seized with symptoms of the disease on Sunday, and physicians were called in and his ailment was pronounced to be the result of a cold.

On Tuesday lockjaw set in.

About two weeks ago Mr. Taylor was at work making a chicken-coop and sustained a violent blow on the face from a piece of timber. The blow is believed to have been the primary cause of his present trouble.

Grand Organ Opening.

The new pipe organ made for the

Grand Council, Royal Arcanum, held at Somerville on Wednesday, a proposition making saloon-keepers eligible for membership in the order was unanimously voted down.

Weekly Meetings.

The Township Committee will meet weekly instead of bi-weekly.

Meetings will be held every Monday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock.

Saloon Men Not Eligible.

At the annual convention of the

Grand Council, Royal Arcanum, held at Somerville on Wednesday, a proposition

making saloon-keepers eligible for

membership in the order was unani-

mously voted down.

Heavy School Expenses.

Sixty thousand dollars is the amount

to be placed in the Montclair tax lev-

ies this year for public-school maintenance.

This is in excess of fixed charges for

bonded indebtedness and the State ap-

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